

their use of hidden video equipment in making this film. The three now face the trumped-up charges of illegal weapons possession and allegations of "espionage." Given the absence of any media or speech freedoms in Turkmenistan, the government's allegations are simply not credible, and the detentions are unjustifiable.

Human rights organizations report that the detainees are being abused. Most troubling are allegations of psychotropic drugs being administered to Amanklychev and Muradova in an effort to force their confession to "subversive activities." The reports concerning psychotropic drugs are quite believable, as Turkmenistan is known to use these drugs in psychiatric hospitals to punish individuals.

In April, 54 members of the United States Senate and House of Representatives wrote to President Niyazov, urging the unconditional release of a prisoner of conscience held in a psychiatric hospital. While that individual was released, soon thereafter Congress learned of an almost identical case—69-year-old Kakabay Tedzhenov. He has been held in incommunicado detention in a psychiatric hospital since January 2006 for peacefully protesting government policies. Considering that just three months ago a significant number of Senators and Members of the House wrote President Niyazov about this barbaric practice, I am particularly disappointed that the Turkmen President continues to allow the misuse of psychiatric institutions as prisons for political dissidents and that Mr. Tedzhenov remains jailed.

With Ms. Muradova's ties to Radio Liberty and the Congress, as well as the letter from 54 Members of Congress to Niyazov regarding the use of psychiatric hospitals, the continuation of these inexcusable actions will affect the relations between Turkmenistan and the U.S. Congress.

Mr. Speaker, I am urging President Niyazov to ensure the immediate and unconditional release of Amankurban Amanklychev, Ogulsapar Muradova, and Sapardurdy Khajiev, as well as Kakabay Tedzhenov.

TRIBUTE TO MR. RALPH BOZELLA

HON. MARILYN N. MUSGRAVE

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 27, 2006

Mrs. MUSGRAVE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the patriotism and military service of Mr. Ralph Bozella of Longmont, Colorado.

Soon after graduating with his teaching certificate during the tumultuous years of the Vietnam war, Mr. Bozella's life forever changed one Monday in the late summer of 1970. The ink was barely dry on the teaching contract he signed the Friday before when Mr. Bozella received notice that he had been drafted for service in Vietnam.

Before long, Mr. Bozella found himself at Bien Hoa Air Base near Saigon, Vietnam. From there he was sent to Chu Lai and assigned to a light infantry brigade within the Americal Infantry Division. Mr. Bozella was assigned to search and patrol the area to protect nearby villages during the rice harvest.

On these patrols into the Vietnamese jungles Mr. Bozella courageously volunteered to be the patrol's point man. In this capacity he

walked first to find booby traps before they found the rest of the patrol.

Eventually, Mr. Bozella transferred to the U.S. Army Education Center where he taught and tested soldiers in a GED program. With his background in education, Mr. Bozella was grateful that he was able to positively impact soldiers in such an incredibly difficult situation.

Following Mr. Bozella's return from the horrors of the war in Vietnam, he encountered an unsupportive society and was ostracized by his peers. Despite these difficulties, Mr. Bozella earned a masters degree in adult and community education from Colorado State University and went on to serve his community in various roles as an educator and administrator.

Mr. Bozella has been intimately involved in several veterans' organizations, serving as chairman of the Colorado Board of Veterans Affairs and as a State officer with the American Legion.

Mr. Speaker, I am grateful for Mr. Bozella's selfless service to our Nation. I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing a man worthy of our honor, Mr. Ralph Bozella. I am deeply saddened by the way he was treated when he came home from Vietnam. After the passing of the years I hope that the respect and honor that his is afforded today will help heal those wounds.

HONORING NANCY ALLEN'S SERVICE TO RUTHERFORD COUNTY

HON. BART GORDON

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 27, 2006

Mr. GORDON. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to recognize Nancy Allen for her service to Rutherford County, Tennessee, as County Mayor for 12 years.

Recently, the Tennessee General Assembly changed her title from County Executive to County Mayor. Her title was not the only thing to change recently. Population projects from the 2000 Census to 2005 show Rutherford County has gained more than 36,000 new residents. Money Magazine recently named Murfreesboro, the county seat and my hometown, as 84th out of the top 100 places to live in the United States. These figures and accolades are due in part to Nancy's leadership ability and the collective vision of the Rutherford County Board of Commissioners over which she has presided and previously served 4 years.

In addition to serving as Chair of the Board of Commissioners, Nancy also chairs the Rutherford County Correctional Work Center Board, Community Care of Rutherford County, Inc., and Regional Transportation Authority. Nancy is a founding member of Recycle Rutherford and a member of the Sam Davis Memorial Association, League of Women Voters, the Oakland Association, and the Rutherford County Chapter of the Middle Tennessee State University Alumni Association and recipient of the 1996 Trailblazer Award. The aforementioned awards and memberships are only a highlight of Nancy's commitment to her community.

I know Nancy will not retire completely from performing public service. It is my hope that she will now have more time to spend on per-

sonal pursuits, which will likely include her always supportive family, husband Jerry and daughter Melinda. Thank you, Nancy, for a job well done.

IN MEMORY OF APOSTLE ISAIAH REVILLS MAN OF GOD PREACHER OF THE WORD

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 27, 2006

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of a man who I am proud to have called a friend, a constituent, and an inspiration: Chief Apostle Isaiah Revills.

Apostle Revills was born on August 23, 1931 in Moultrie, Georgia, the son of sharecroppers. At the tender age of nine years old, Isaiah's father was murdered by the Ku Klux Klan. His mother was forced to lead the family of nine children, but her rock-solid faith in God saw her through.

Isaiah went on to the Moultrie High School for Negro Youth, where he met a young woman named Ullainee Sanders. Ullainee became his sweetheart and his partner, and on June 4, 1955, Isaiah and Ullainee were married. For the last 51 years, they have been partners in every sense of the word—sharing equally in the joys and burdens of the journey of life.

The young couple moved to Milledgeville, Georgia shortly after their marriage, and there Isaiah began to serve as the pastor of his first church. In 1958 they moved to Albany, Georgia, where together they conducted prayer meetings from house to house. So successful were these meetings that they opened a mission in 1959. Isaiah preached the Gospel there, and as far away as Harlem, as his ministry grew. His congregants grew rapidly in number and they moved to a new facility in the Masonic Hall. Apostle Revills fasted for forty days, a mission that led him to another church building, lovingly called "The Shanty." But the growth continued! Isaiah, a brick mason by trade, built the new church with his own two hands. Shortly thereafter, he went into the ministry fulltime with the constant support of Ullainee.

At the time, Newton, Georgia had a difficult racial climate, but Apostle Revills had a vision from God, and traveled there for a tent crusade. That meeting led him across Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and all the way to California. Apostle Revills was anointed by God in 1966 and went on to many more tent crusades, the largest of which became the annual Camp Meeting in the City of Albany, that ended every year with a baptism at the Mercer Mill.

His ministry grew so large, that in 1981 they opened a new 5,000-seat Cathedral and organized into ten distinct operating districts. Apostle Revills began publishing his Miracle Guiding Star Magazine, and took to the radio and television to preach the Word. He preached in Kenya, Haiti and Israel. In 1991, he was justly recognized as one of Georgia's ten most prominent black pastors.

In 1995, Apostle Revills was formally and publicly ordained as an Apostle of Jesus Christ. He received an honorary Doctorate of